



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Clifdale Elementary

Spartanburg 3

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 374

Principal: Janet Scott

Superintendent: Dr. James O. Ray

Board Chair: Mr. Eddie Dearybury

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	Silver	Met	N/A
2006	Good	Good	Silver	Met	N/A

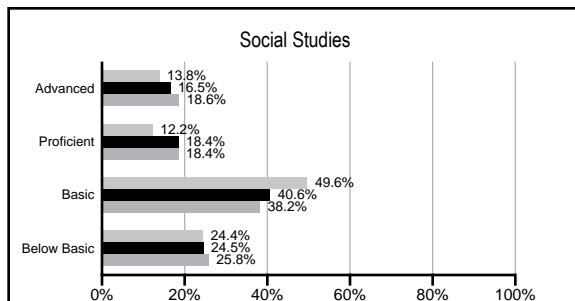
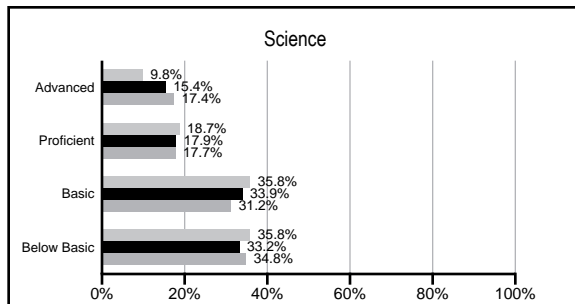
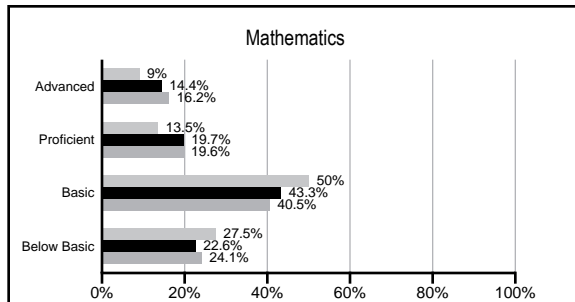
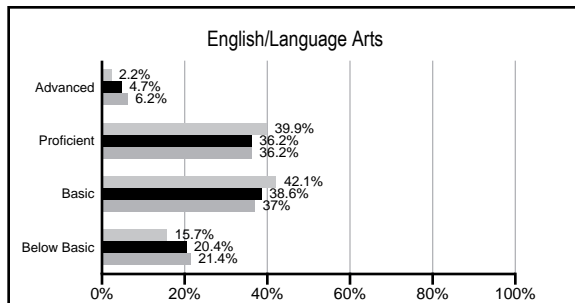
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	7	54	30	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

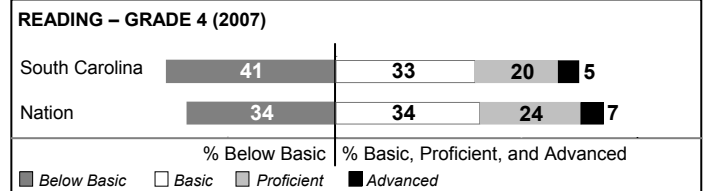
PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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Clifdale Elementary [Spartanburg 3]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=374)				
Retention rate	2.7%	Down from 3.7%	2.7%	2.3%
Attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.2%	96.1%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	9.3%	Up from 6.7%	9.2%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	14.9%	Up from 12.7%	8.7%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=27)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	81.5%	Down from 85.7%	56.5%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	74.1%	Up from 71.4%	80.0%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.5%	Down from 94.8%	87.0%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.5%	94.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$50,899	Up 2.5%	\$45,266	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	0.1	Down from 18.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.6 to 1	Up from 19.1 to 1	18.5 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.0%	Down from 92.3%	89.4%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$9,016	Up 4.0%	\$6,959	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	60.6%	Down from 65.5%	68.7%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	57.7%	Down from 58.3%	64.7%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	76.9%		85.7%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	28	42	31
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.4%	83.3%	90.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	69.0%	93.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.9%	73.8%	87.1%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Clifdale Elementary School's theme, Learning is Oceans of Fun, as well as the song Hit the Beach, contributed much to a spirit of enthusiasm for learning during 2007-08 school year.

Academic achievement was a highlight in several areas. Clifdale made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the sixth year in a row and earned an Average rating on the school report card based on the 2007 PACT scores. Teachers in grades four and five were recognized by the district for high student achievement on PACT and Measures of Academic Progress (MAP). A fifth grade student was recognized as the district winner for the Lt. Governor's writing award. Art students earned merit also in county-wide competition. Many of our second-fifth grade students qualified as High Fliers in the building for meeting their MAP testing goals. Student Success assemblies, held at the end of the nine weeks for grades three to five, gave us an opportunity to showcase student achievement. Our curriculum development for this year focused on differentiating instruction through small group learning and with Science and Math kits and hands-on learning. The school library media center encouraged all of our students to read throughout the year and earn incentives as well as part of their success. Four of our faculty members have applied for National Board Certification, and Kim Goode, fourth grade teacher, was named Clifdale's teacher of the Year.

School culture was greatly impacted by introduction of a Positive Behavior program that our staff helped develop. Demonstrating the 4 Tiger Traits (Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready, and Be Safe) impressed on Clifdale staff and students the value of recognizing and rewarding positive behavior. Students earned Paw Points that were redeemed for a variety of incentives. The involvement of parents in our building was encouraged through many Title I, PAT, and PTO sponsored events. Families supported events such as our Back to School Supper, Muffins for Moms, Donuts for Dads, Grandparents Day, Breakfast with Santa, Math & Science Night, Health Fair, and Spring Carnival, as well as our annual musicals and art show. Nearly 100% of parents attended conferences held in October and March. We are a healthier school also, thanks to the addition of a Zest Quest coach who encourages good nutrition and fitness with students and staff. Volunteers put in countless hours assisting our teachers, accompanying students on field trips, and working with individual and small groups on academic needs.

Clifdale Elementary School cherishes its community heritage as we focus on our mission to provide student-centered learning experiences in a safe and nurturing environment. We continue to commit to the well-being and achievement of all of our students.

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Tracie Campbell, School Improvement Council Chairperson

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